

Cudgel, After Three Months' Layoff, Comes Back and Captures Hudson Handicap

Sterling Ride by Loftus

Five-Year-Old Totes Heavy Impost Over Journey in Good Time—Jockey Fairbrother's Handling of Kallipolis in First Race Severely Criticized

By W. J. Macbeth

SARATOGA, Aug. 15.—A good old horse came back to the races here to-day and came with all four feet. It was Commander J. K. L. Ross's five-year-old Cudgel, which had not been out since May 17, when he finished third in the Kings County handicap at Jamaica.

Cudgel, ably ridden by Johnny Loftus, won the Hudson Handicap at a mile and three-sixteenths, the feature of this afternoon's somewhat ordinary card, in the good time of 1:59 4-5. The record for the distance is 1:56 flat, and the going to-day was at least three seconds off.

Cudgel ran one of the gamiest and finest races of his honorable career; likewise Loftus rode one of his masterpieces. None can ride better than Johnny when his heart happens to be in the mood.

The Hudson Handicap is not on the list of the top notch classics for the older horses, but a preliminary to several of them, and as such furnishes a good line on the respective abilities of the competitors. So it may be said without fear of contradiction that Cudgel, from now on, will command due respect. He has come back with a vengeance.

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"Pinch Hitter"

back some of the money for her admirers in the third, at seven furlongs. Little Wessler showed good judgment with his mount. The Ross mare was slow to break, but Wessler refused to get excited over the fact and worked up gradually on the outside through the long backstretch.

Unwise Child, the rank outsider, had the early foot and cut out a rapid pace for the turn, when Ensign, who had been in the lead, was forced to give ground. Dorcas, raced the Cudgel stable race into submission. By this time Wessler was close enough with Queen of the Sea, and he began his drive.

Pretty Duel in Stretch

At the top of the stretch Queen of the Sea hooked up with Dorcas in a pretty duel, Wessler being content to let the mare help herself as much as possible. At the sixteenth pole Dorcas stopped as if shot. Tailor Maid came with a great rush through the last few furlongs, and beat Dorcas by the place.

Kilkenny, a long shot, stepped in and spilled the beans in the fifth race, at a mile and an eighth. Glenper and Cudgel had been simple doing the same work, but in the opening line he was made an 8 to 5 favorite. But it was whispered round that he had not been tightened for his best against a field of such caliber.

Johnny Loftus scored his second popular victory of the afternoon when he rode End Man to victory. Star Court finished second and Peace Penant third.

Starter Mars Cassidy, who had been ill two days, was back on the job and, though somewhat shaky on his underpinnings, handled the fields well. Jim Cassidy reported this morning in case of the horses.

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Francis T. Hunter, the former Cornell star, was responsible for the downfall of Thomas. Hunter, who possesses a terrific forehand drive, downed his Australian opponent in two straight sets at 6-3, 7-5. Robert Kinsey, the young Californian, was the conqueror of Lycett. He also accomplished his victory in straight sets, winning at 6-3, 7-5.

Hunter used his forehand drive to good effect against Thomas and made many beautiful placements to help his game along. He was more nimble-footed and shifty than Thomas and was able to get into a stride quicker. Kinsey used much the same tactics in conquering Lycett.

The Australians got some consolation in their victory in the doubles over Walter Merrill Hall and Leonard Beckman. The score was 7-5, 4-6, 6-3.

The summary:

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